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1. A transfer method comprising:

a copy or print sheet forming step in which a sheet is affixed to a film such as a cellophane or a cellophane substitutable material, which is to be swelled, so as to form a copy or print sheet, in order that a copying or printing operation can be carried out by employing a resin toner;

a copying or printing step in which while the copy or print sheet is employed which has been formed in said copy or print sheet forming step, a transfer purpose pattern or the like is copied or printed on a surface of the film with employment of the resin toner so as to form a first transfer sheet;

a copy surface swelling step for swelling a copy or print surface of said first transfer sheet after said copying or printing step;

a transfer sheet preparing step in which before/after said copy surface swelling step, the copy or print surface of said first transfer sheet is adhered to either an adhesive surface of a transparent, or semi-transparent adhesive film or an adhesive surface of an adhesive sheet, and an image of the transfer purpose pattern or the like of the copy or print surface is transferred to the adhesive surface so as to form a second transfer sheet; and

a transferring step in which said second transfer sheet formed in said transfer sheet preparing step is affixed to a transfer portion so as to affix the image to the transfer portion, or heat of an iron or the like is applied to said second transfer sheet so as to transfer the image to the transfer portion.

2. (Amended) A transfer method comprising:

a copy or print sheet forming step in which a release agent sheet is affixed to a sheet, or a release agent is coated or adhered on a

surface of a sheet, to form a copy or print sheet, in order that a copying or printing operation can be carried out;

5 a copying or printing step in which while the copy or print sheet is employed which has been formed in said copy or print sheet forming step, a transfer purpose pattern or the like is copied or printed on a surface of the release agent sheet, a surface coated by the release agent, or an adhesive surface, with employment of a resin toner so as to form a first transfer sheet;

10 a transfer sheet preparing step in which after said copying or printing step, the copy or print surface of said first transfer sheet is adhered to either an adhesive surface of a transparent or semi-transparent adhesive film or an adhesive surface of an adhesive sheet, and an image of the transfer purpose pattern or the like of the copy or print surface is transferred to the adhesive surface so as to prepare a second transfer sheet; and

15 a transferring step in which said second transfer sheet prepared in said transfer sheet preparing step is affixed to a transfer portion, and thereafter heat of an iron or the like is applied to said second transfer sheet so as to transfer the image to the transfer portion and said second transfer sheet is removed.

3. (Amended) A transfer method comprising:

25 a copy or print sheet forming step in which a release agent sheet is affixed to a sheet, or a release agent is coated or adhered on a surface of a sheet, to form a copy or print sheet, in order that a copying or printing operation can be carried out;

a copying or printing step in which while the copy or print sheet is employed which has been formed in said copy or print sheet forming step, an image of a transfer purpose pattern or the like is copied or printed on a surface of the release agent sheet, a surface coated

by the release agent, or a surface adhered by the release agent, so as to prepare a transfer sheet;

a transferring step in which the transfer sheet is affixed to a transfer portion so as to affix the image to the transfer portion, via an affixing agent, an adhesive agent, or a hot melt resin, which has been coated or adhered on a copy or print surface of the transfer sheet, or the transfer portion, the affixing agent, the adhesive agent or the hot melt resin being transparent, semi-transparent or white-colored and the transfer sheet is removed; and

a designing step in which the image of the transfer sheet is additionally transfer to the transfer portion where the image has been transferred in said transferring step by means of image superimposing, whereby another design of the transferred images is obtained.

4. A transfer method comprising:

a copying or printing step in which while a copy or print sheet is employed in which a film such as a cellophane to be swelled on a cellophane substitutable material to be swelled has been affixed to a sheet, a transfer purpose pattern or the like, is copied or printed on a surface of the film with employment of a resin toner;

a copy surface swelling step for swelling a copy or print surface of said first transfer sheet after said copying or printing step;

a transfer sheet preparing step in which before/after said copy surface swelling step, the copy or print surface of said first transfer sheet is adhered to either an adhesive surface of a transparent or semi-transparent adhesive film, or an adhesive surface of an adhesive sheet, and an image of the transfer purpose pattern or the like of the copy or print surface is transferred to the adhesive surface so as to prepare a second transfer sheet; and

a transferring step in which said second transfer sheet prepared

in said transfer sheet preparing step is affixed to a transfer portion so as to affix the image to the transfer portion, or heat of an iron or the like is applied to said second transfer sheet so as to transfer the image to the transfer portion.

5 5. (Amended) A transfer method comprising:

a copying or printing step in which while a release agent sheet is affixed to a sheet, or a release agent is coated or adhered on a surface of a sheet, to form a copy or print sheet, a transfer purpose pattern or the like is copied or printed on a surface of the release agent sheet, a surface coated by the release agent, or a surface adhered by the release agent so as to prepare a first transfer sheet;

10 a transfer sheet preparing step in which after said copying or printing step, the copy or print surface of said first transfer sheet is adhered to either an adhesive surface of a transparent or semi-transparent adhesive film or an adhesive surface of an adhesive sheet, and an image of the transfer purpose pattern or the like of the copy or print surface is transferred to the adhesive surface so as to prepare a second transfer sheet; and

15 a transferring step in which said second transfer sheet prepared in said transfer sheet preparing step is affixed to a transfer portion, and thereafter heat of an iron or the like is applied to said second transfer sheet so as to transfer the image to the transfer portion and said second transfer sheet is removed.

20 6. (Amended) A transfer method comprising:

25 a copying or printing step in which while a release agent sheet is affixed to a sheet, or a release agent is coated or adhered on a surface of a sheet, to form a copy or print sheet, an image of a transfer purpose pattern or the like is copied or printed on a surface of the release agent sheet, a surface coated by the release agent, or a surface

adhered by the release agent so as to form a transfer sheet;

a transferring step in which the transfer sheet is affixed to a transfer portion so as to affix the image to the transfer portion, via an affixing agent, an adhesive agent, or a hot melt resin, which
5 has been coated or adhered on a copy or print surface of the transfer sheet, or the transfer portion, the affixing agent, the adhesive agent or the hot melt resin being transparent, semi-transparent or white-colored, and the transfer sheet is removed;

a designing step in which the image of the transfer sheet is
10 additionally transfer to the transfer portion where the image has been transferred in said transferring step by means of image superimposing, whereby another design of the transferred images is obtained.

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Amended) A method of preparing a second transfer sheet wherein:

15 a film surface of a first transfer sheet is swelled, in which an image of a transfer purpose pattern or the like has been formed on a film surface of a copy or print sheet, said copy or print sheet being formed by affixing a sheet to a film such as a cellophane or a cellophane substitutable material to be swelled in order that a copying
20 or printing operation can be carried out by employing a resin toner; said swelled film surface of the first transfer sheet is affixed to either an adhesive surface of a transparent or semi-transparent adhesive film or an adhesive surface of an adhesive sheet; or the film surface of said first transfer sheet is affixed to either the adhesive surface
25 of the transparent or semi-transparent adhesive film or the adhesive sheet and then is swelled; and said first transfer sheet is removed so as to form the transfer sheet having the transferred pattern on the adhesive surface.

9. (Cancelled)

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10. (Cancelled)